HOUSE RESOLUTION 346 By Hood

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mrs. Esther Victory on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Esther Victory is one such estimable person who has served with probity for thirty-five years with the Rutherford County School System as a physical education teacher; during her illustrious career, which started in 1967 at Thurman Francis Junior High, she has positively influenced many young lives; and

WHEREAS, she spent five and a-half years at Thurman Francis before moving to Smyrna High School; for the past twenty years, however, she has served with distinction as a beloved teacher of young minds at Smyrna Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, over her thirty-five year tenure, Mrs. Victory has demonstrated her talent in the classroom and is known as a compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and WHEREAS, Esther truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel is highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; she represents all that is good and noble in education; and

WHEREAS, following her retirement, Mrs. Victory plans to spend her leisure days enjoying her hobbies of cooking, reading, and attending sporting events; and

WHEREAS, she treasures the love and companionship she shares with her husband, Kenneth; as a retiree, Esther also hopes to devote her time to being a full-time wife, mother, and grandmother. She is the proud mother of two daughters, Mary Esther and Leigh Ann, and grandmother of grandson Parker Bell and newborn granddaughter Mary Leigh; and

WHEREAS, Esther Victory exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Victory truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized on the occasion of her retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we extend to Mrs. Esther Victory our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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